Aquatic Invasive Species

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Nitokra incerta

An harpacticoid copepod

General

1. Part of the large N. lacustris group, which contains a number of subspecies and cryptic species from around the world

Geography and Habitat

- 1. Native: Black and Caspian Seas region as well as parts of the Jordan River basin, southwest Asia, and Italy
- 2. Habitat:
 - Generally an oligohaline species that occurs in fresh and brackish waters; tolerates salinities of up to 14 ppt

Invasion Pathways

1. Likely ballast water release

Sources

1. http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=2373